

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 276 - HB 532

February 23, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits blending, mixing, or any other method of processing by-product material or other radioactive substance unless the processing does not change the classification of the highest classification the materials would have had prior to processing. Exempts processing that merely segregates waste. Authorizes the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) to grant variances for immediate action that are required by emergency order.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenue – \$1,353,900/Environmental Protection Fund

Assumptions:

- According to TDEC, 157 shipping licenses at a fee of \$600 per license for shippers of radioactive waste will no longer be issued, resulting in a recurring decrease in state revenue of \$94,200 (157 x \$600).
- Nine processing facilities will no longer need licensing for the processing prohibited in this bill. There will be 12 fewer licenses issued at nine facilities, resulting in a decrease in state revenue of \$435,000.
- Based on 2009 collections, there will be a decrease in recurring state revenue of \$824,720 from poundage fees charged on all radioactive waste received at facilities in the state.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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